



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Special Election Duties and Deadlines
-- 11th Congressional District --

The following lists the various duties and deadlines associated with the special election scheduled to fill the vacancy in the 11th Congressional District.

By 4:00 p.m., July 20	Republican and Democratic Party candidates file Affidavit of Identity and nominating petition with Secretary of State.
By 4:00 p.m., July 23	Republican and Democratic candidates who wish to drop from special primary file withdrawals.
By July 24	Absent voter ballots for special primary must be available for issuance to voters. (168.714)
July 26 through Aug. 15	Precinct inspectors appointed by election commissions for special primary. Commissions notify county political party chairs of appointments within two business days. (168.674)
By July 30	Notice of close of registration for special primary published. (168.498)
August 6	Last day to register for special primary. (168.498)
By 4:00 p.m., August 7	Candidates without political party affiliation file Affidavit of Identity and qualifying petition with Secretary of State.
August 7	Minor parties hold caucus or convention to nominate candidates; must certify nominees to Secretary of State within one business day by filing Affidavit of Identity, Certificate of Acceptance, and Certificate of Nomination.
By 4:00 p.m., Aug. 10	Candidates without political party affiliation who wish to drop from special election file withdrawals.
By 4:00 p.m. August 24	Write-in candidates who wish to seek the Republican Party or Democratic Party nomination to the office at the special primary file Declaration of Intent forms. (168.737a)

By August 29	Notice of special primary published. (168.653a)
By August 31	Public accuracy test must be conducted. (R 168.778) Notice of test must be published at least 48 hours before test. (168.798)
By 2:00 p.m., September 1	Electors who wish to receive an absent voter ballot for special primary by mail submit applications. (168.759)
Up to 4:00 p.m., September 4	Electors qualified to obtain an absent voter ballot for special primary may vote in person in clerk's office. (168.761)
Up to 4:00 p.m., September 5	Emergency absentee voting for special primary. (168.759b)
September 5	SPECIAL PRIMARY
1:00 p.m., September 6	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass special primary. (168.821)
Note:	The special election will appear on the general election ballot. All deadlines are the same as those that apply to the November 6 general election.
November 6	SPECIAL ELECTION
1:00 p.m., November 7	Boards of County Canvassers meet to canvass special election. (168.821)